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THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" Sir, I request the question may be translated into English."

DR. T. S. SOUNDARAM RAMACHANDRAN :—" Sir, the hon. Member is asking whether the Harijan Welfare Officers in the districts know that such rural co-operative house-building societies are existing and, if they do not know of it as yet, will the Hon. Minister send circulars to all these officers to inform the Harijans that such schemes are in existence? "

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" Sir, the District Welfare Officers know the existence of this facility and, as a matter of fact, in regard to this particular instance in Cuddapah district, the District Harijan Welfare Officer has addressed the Special Development Officer."

Loans to the Agriculturists for the purchase of bulls.

* 175 Q.—SRI K. V. VEMA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government intend giving loans to the agriculturists for the purchase of bulls in the famine stricken area of Kadiri, Tadpatri, Madakasira and Hindupur taluks in Anantapur district?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes. Provision already exists in the rules for the grant of loans for such purposes."

SRI K. V. VEMA REDDI :—" Sir, in view of the fact that cattle including bulls have died for want of fodder and in view of the fact that the agriculturists have been reduced to a poverty-stricken state on account of famine conditions, may I request the Hon. Minister to consider proposals for advancing special grants to the poor and deserving agriculturists to facilitate agricultural operations? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I am afraid, that Anantapur is already having a lion's share of these loans and the details will show that even Mr. T. Nagi Reddi could be satisfied. The details are—

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Loans for deepening wells ..	1,83,000	and odd.
Agricultural Loans and Land Improvement Loans	15,27,000	,,
Subsistence Loans	1,65,000	,,
Loans for installation of pumping sets	1,95,000	,, "

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" In view of the fact that some thousands of cattle have died in Kadiri taluk, and in view of the fact that rains have now come and that the agriculturists have to cultivate the fields again, will the Government consider the question of 11-20 a.m.

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making a larger allotment for the grant of loans to the agriculturists in a large number of cases for the purchase of bulls in that taluk so that agricultural operations may continue and we can have some food next year at least? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The Government have since permitted the Board of Revenue to authorize the Collectors to incur expenditure over and above the amounts allotted already."

Vasili tank, Atmakur taluk.

* 176 *Q.*—SRI G. C. KONDIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether in Vasili village, Atmakur taluk, the Vasili tank breached during the floods of 1943 and 1952 as the Boggeru was in floods and ran into it and what steps the Government have taken to prevent similar breaches in future?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" The breaches in 1943 and 1952 were not caused by floods in the Boggeru but by the villagers cutting the bund to prevent damage to the huts near it.

" The tank bund was adequately strengthened during 1943 and will not breach by floods in the Boggeru. The possibility of devising measures to obviate cutting of the bund to save dwellings is being examined."

Cancellation of bus conductor's pass by executive orders.

* 177 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIYAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state how many cases have occurred where the conductor's pass of bus conductors have been cancelled or suspended by a mere executive order of the District Superintendent of Police during the year 1951?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Orders suspending or cancelling conductor's pass of bus conductors are quasi-judicial in nature and not mere executive orders. There were 888 cases of cancellation or suspension of conductors' passes in the whole State in 1951 by the District Superintendents of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police, Traffic and Licensing, Madras, who are the licensing authorities."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" May I know, Sir, if any appeal lies over the orders of these officers? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, in the mofussil the appeal is to the Regional Transport Authority and in the City it is to the Road Traffic Board."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government will amend the rules, to conform to the principles of justice, so that orders for the cancellation of passes may be passed only after the conductors are found guilty before a court of law? "